

ANNUAL REPORT

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December 31, 2004

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SCHOOL DISTRICT OF CHATHAM

SCHOOL BOARD

Susan Perry, Chair	Term Expires 2005
James Diegoli	Term Expires 2007
Susan Crowley	Term Expires 2006

SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS

Frank Eastman, Moderator	(2 year term)	Term Expires 2006
Louise McKenzie, Treasurer		Term Expires 2005
Catherine Lee Kyle, Clerk		Term Expires 2005
Maryanne Eastman, Auditor		Term Expires 2005

SCHOOLS

K-5	New Suncook School, Lovell Gary MacDonald, Principal	207-925-6711
6-8	Molly Ockett Middle School, Fryeburg Joseph Soraghan, Principal	207-935-2401
9-12	Fryeburg Academy, Fryeburg Daniel Lee, Headmaster	207-935-2001

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT NO. 9 603-356-5533

Dr. Carl J. Nelson, Superintendent of Schools
Dr. Martha Cray, Assistant Superintendent
Maureen Soraghan, Director of Special Services
James Hill, Director of Administrative Services
Becky Jefferson, Director of Budget & Finance
Pamela Stimpson, Preschool Coordinator
Carol Bennett, Transportation Coordinator

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT NO. 72 207-935-2600

Dr. George G. Cunningham, Superintendent of Schools

**CHATHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the Inhabitants of the School District of Chatham, in the County of Carroll, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote on District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet in the Town Hall in said District on Tuesday, the 8th day of March, 2005 to act upon the following subjects. The meeting will take place at **6:00 p.m.**

ARTICLE 1. To elect a Clerk for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 2. To elect a member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

ARTICLE 3. To elect a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 4. To elect an Auditor for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 5. To see what sum the School District will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for school district officials and agents, and for the payment of the statutory obligations of the District. The Budget Committee recommends \$649,473 (5-0-0). The School Board recommends \$649,473 (2-0-0). This article does not include appropriations voted in other warrant articles. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 6. To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate a supplemental/deficit appropriation in the amount of \$19,120, with offsetting revenue of \$5,231, to reduce the June 30, 2004 general fund deficit pursuant to RSA 189:28-a (\$13,889 to be raised in taxes). (Recommended by the School Board 2-0-0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee 5-0-0).

ARTICLE 7. To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$24,270 for additional special education tuition costs for the current school year; and authorize the withdrawal of \$24,270 from the Capital Reserve Fund (Special Education) created for that purpose. (Recommended by the School Board 2-0-0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee 5-0-0)

ARTICLE 8. To see if the School District will vote to create an expendable trust fund under the provisions of RSA 198:20-c, to be known as the Tuition Trust Fund, for the purpose of assisting with future tuition costs, and to name the School Board as agents to expend from this fund. (Recommended by the School Board 2-0-0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee 4-1-0)

ARTICLE 9. To see if the School District will vote to discontinue the school bus capital reserve fund. Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the School District's general fund. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by the School Board 2-0-0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee 3-2-0)

ARTICLE 10. To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund (Special Education) previously established for this purpose, with such amount to be funded from general fund revenues resulting from discontinuing the school bus capital reserve fund. (Recommended by the School Board 2-0-0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee 4-1-0)

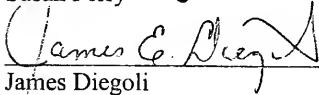
ARTICLE 11. To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to \$21,500 to be added to the Expendable Trust Fund (Tuition Trust Fund) previously established for this purpose, with such amount to be funded from general fund revenues resulting from discontinuing the school bus capital reserve fund. (Recommended by the School Board 2-0-0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee 4-1-0)

ARTICLE 12. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands, this ^{11th}~~10th~~ day of February 2005.



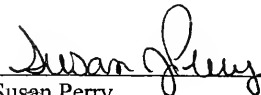
Susan Perry



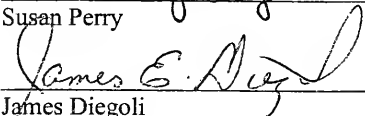
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Susan Perry



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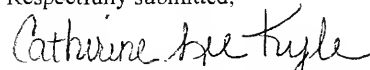
MINUTES OF THE CHATHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

MARCH 9, 2004

Moderator, Frank Eastman, called the meeting to order at 8:07 p.m.

- Article 1 Catherine Lee Kyle was elected Clerk for the ensuing year.
- Article 2 James Diegoli was elected to the school board for the ensuing three years.
- Article 3 Louis McKenzie was elected Treasurer for the ensuing year.
- Article 4 Maryanne Eastman was elected Auditor for the ensuing year.
- Article 5 Frank Eastman was elected Moderator for the ensuing two years.
- Article 6 The School District voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$551,923 for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for school district officials and agents, and for the payment of the statutory obligations of the District.
- Article 7 The School District voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund (Special Education) previously established.
- Article 8 This article failed to pass. The school district voted to not discontinue the school bus capital reserve fund.
- Article 9 A motion was made to pass over this article. The motion failed to pass. This article failed to pass. A Tuition Trust Fund, for the purpose of assisting with future tuition costs, was turned down by voters.
- Article 10 The School District voted to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the School Board, to appoint a Deputy Treasurer. The Deputy Treasurer is authorized to sign checks and paperwork in the absence of the Treasurer.
- Article 11 The school district voted to have the School District Annual Meeting precede the Town Meeting. Time of the meeting to be determined by the Selectmen and School Board. The intent is to encourage higher attendance by voters at the School District meeting.
- Article 12 There was no other business. The meeting adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Catherine Lee Kyle, Recording Clerk

REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER

CHATHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT

Fiscal Year July 1, 2003 to June 30, 2004

Cash on Hand July 1, 2003 (Treasurer's Bank Balance)	\$ 18,917.81
Received from Selectmen	\$411,147.00
Revenue from State Sources	12,864.51
Bank Interest Earned	2,250.65
Received from Other Sources (Adequacy)	<u>93,458.82</u>
Total Receipts	<u>519,720.98</u>
Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year	\$538,638.79
Less Bank Charges	55.00
Less School Board Orders Paid	<u>283,792.60</u>
Balance on Hand June 30, 2004 (Treasurer's Bank Balance)	\$254,791.19

August 15, 2004

Louise McKenzie
District Treasurer

CHATHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT

Balance Sheet

June 30, 2004

General
Account

ASSETS:

Cash	\$254,328.72
Interfund Receivable	<u>26,392.54</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	\$280,721.26

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY:

Intergovernmental Payables	\$285,183.37
Deferred Revenues	9,426.57
Unreserved Fund Balance	<u>(13,888.68)</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	\$280,721.26

STATEMENT OF REVENUES
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2004

General
Account

REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES:

Total Assessments	\$259,918.00
Earnings on Investments	<u>2,293.47</u>
TOTAL LOCAL REVENUE	\$262,211.47

REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES:

Adequacy Aid (Grant)	\$ 93,416.00
Adequacy Aid (State Tax)	<u>151,229.00</u>
TOTAL REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES	\$244,645.00

REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES

Restricted Grants-in-Aid	\$ 3,437.94
Federal Forest Reserve	<u>8,638.64</u>
TOTAL REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES	\$ 12,076.58

REVENUE FROM OTHER SOURCES

Transfer from Trust Funds	\$ 26,392.54
TOTAL REVENUE FROM OTHER SOURCES	\$ 26,392.54

TOTAL REVENUE	\$545,325.59
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CHATHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT
2005-2006 BUDGET

FUNCTION/OBJECT/DESCRIPTION	ADOPTED BUDGET 2003-2004	ACTUALS 2003-2004	ADOPTED BUDGET 2004-2005	PROPOSED BUDGET 2005-2006
1100				
REGULAR EDUCATION				
560-101 Tuition, Elementary	229,691	239,277.24	242,595	284,130
560-103 Tuition, Sr. High	184,514	192,825.79	210,300	249,561
TOTAL 1100 REGULAR EDUCATION	414,205	432,103.03	452,895	533,691
1200				
SPECIAL EDUCATION				
560-109 Tuition, Special Education	25,500	57,277.54	29,500	53,460
TOTAL 1200 SPECIAL EDUCATION	25,500	57,277.54	29,500	53,460
2140				
PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES				
330-120 Testing/Counseling	500	0.00	500	100
TOTAL 2140 PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES	500	0.00	500	100
2150				
SPEECH SERVICES				
330-120 Speech Testing	3,200	3,327.50	500	100
TOTAL 2150 SPEECH SERVICES	3,200	3,327.50	500	100
2160				
OCCUPATIONAL/PHYSICAL THERAPY SERVICES				
330-120 Occupational/Physical Therapy	8,500	3,987.50	500	100

CHATHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT
2005-2006 BUDGET

FUNCTION/OBJECT/DESCRIPTION		ADOPTED BUDGET 2003-2004	ACTUALS 2003-2004	ADOPTED BUDGET 2004-2005	PROPOSED BUDGET 2005-2006
TOTAL 2160 OCCUP/PHYSICAL THERAPY		8,500	3,987.50	500	100
2310	SCHOOL BOARD SERVICES				
523-37	Insurance, Treas. Bond	120	56.25	65	65
110-74	School Board Salaries	570	570.00	855	855
260-44	Workers Compensation	0	310.00	310	310
390-47	Census	0	0.00	0	0
390-74	Treasurer's Salary	80	80.00	90	90
330-47	Legal Services	500	375.38	500	500
390-47	Audit	30	60.00	30	30
390-74	Salary, Clerk/Moderator/Checklist	70	70.00	70	70
390-117	School Board Expenses	200	113.25	200	200
540-70	Advertising	80	48.00	70	70
	TOTAL 2310 SCHOOL BOARD SERVICES	1,650	1,682.88	2,190	2,190
2320	OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT				
311-104	SAU #9 Share	8,936	8,936.00	8,163	8,432
	TOTAL 2320 OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT	8,936	8,936.00	8,163	8,432
2720	PUPIL TRANSPORTATION				
513-120	Cont. Services-Reg. Trans.	53,460	55,620.40	54,675	48,300
626-86	Fuel, Bus	2,500	1,528.59	2,500	3,000
519-120	Transp-Spec Ed	500	0.00	500	100
	TOTAL 2720 PUPIL TRANSPORTATION	56,460	57,148.99	57,675	51,400

CHATHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT
2005-2006 BUDGET

FUNCTION/OBJECT/DESCRIPTION	ADOPTED BUDGET 2003-2004	ACTUALS 2003-2004	ADOPTED BUDGET 2004-2005	PROPOSED BUDGET 2005-2006
5251				
CAPITAL RESERVE				
930-105 Transfer Reserve - Bus	0	0.00	0	0
930-105 Transfer Reserve - Sp. Ed.	5,000	5,000.00	5,000	0
TOTAL 5251 CAPITAL RESERVE	5,000	5,000.00	5,000	0
GRAND TOTAL APPROPRIATION	\$523,951	\$569,463.44	\$556,923	\$649,473

CHATHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT
ESTIMATED REVENUE

	ACTUAL RECEIPTS 2003-2004	ESTIMATED REVENUE 2004-2005	ESTIMATED REVENUE 2005-2006
Unencumbered Balance	10,249	0	0
REVENUE FROM STATE/FEDERAL SOURCES:			
National Forest Reserve	8,639	9,427	18,559
Catastrophic Aid	0	0	0
Medicaid Reimbursement	3,438	600	600
REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES:			
Earnings on Investments	2,293	2,000	2,000
Other Local	0	0	0
Sale of School Bus	0	0	0
Special Education Reserve	26,393	0	0
Total Revenue	51,012	12,027	21,159
STATE OF NH ADEQUACY GRANT	93,416	80,692	89,446 ** Estimate
STATE OF NH EDUCATION TAX	151,229	103,385	115,688 ** Estimate
DISTRICT ASSESSMENT	259,918	360,819	423,180
GRAND TOTAL REVENUE	\$555,575	\$556,923	\$649,473 *

* Does Not Include Separate/Special Articles

** Per NH DOE 11/15/04 Report

CHATHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL EDUCATION EXPENSES/REVENUE 2002-2003, 2003-2004

EXPENSES: SPECIAL EDUCATION	ACTUAL	ACTUAL
	EXPENSES	EXPENSES
	<u>2002-2003</u>	<u>2003-2004</u>
1200.330.135 Extended School Year	\$0	\$0
1200.560.109 Tuition, Special Education	\$46,546	\$57,278
2140.330.120 Psychological Testing/Counseling	\$0	\$0
2150.330.120 Speech Testing	\$6,380	\$3,327
2160.330.120 Occupational/Physical Therapy	\$6,187	\$3,988
2720.519.120 Transportation, Special Education	\$0	\$0
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TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION EXPENSES	\$59,113	\$64,593
REVENUE: SPECIAL EDUCATION	ACTUAL	ACTUAL
	REVENUE	REVENUE
	<u>2002-2003</u>	<u>2003-2004</u>
Catastrophic Aid	\$0	\$0
NH State Adequacy Allocation	\$24,170	\$32,544
Medicaid Reimbursement	\$0	\$3,438
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TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION REVENUE	\$24,170	\$35,982

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT NO. 9
2005-06 Budget

	Func-	Adopted	Adopted	Chatham's
	tion	Budget	Budget	Share
		2004-05	2005-06	0.85%
				2005-06
Special Education	2190	\$186,274	\$ 193,290	\$1,635.30
Improvement of Inst.	2210	16,868	15,649	132.39
School Board Services	2310	30,426	35,003	296.14
Superintendent	2320	176,369	184,263	1,558.93
Asst. Superintendent	2321	125,061	129,960	1,099.50
Business/Finance	2521	322,349	332,943	2,816.81
Operations/Maintenance	2620	194,726	111,345	942.02
Transportation	2720	36,175	36,997	313.01
Gross Budget Total		\$1,088,248	\$1,039,450	\$8,794.10
Plus Federal Projects		+ 10,000	+ 10,000	+ 84.60
Minus Estimated Revenue		- 20,300	- 52,800	- 446.70
Net Total Expenses		\$1,077,948	\$ 996,650	\$8,432.00
(District Apportionment)				

ENROLLMENT (October 2004)
Total K-8 ... 43 Total 9-12 ... 22

Kindergarten

Conlon, John
Dudley, Evan
Hennessy, Christopher

Grade 1

Coburn, Hunter
Drew, Jacob
Fournier, Renae
Hennessy, Aaron
McCabe, Eamonn
Woolf, Saige

Grade 2

Bloodworth, Miles
Briggs, Sullivan
Johnson, Tyler

Grade 3

Bloodworth, Dakota
Calomb, Hunter
Drouin, Christian
McCabe, Joseph

Grade 4

Cooper, Emily
Eastman, Kayla
Fournier, Michael
Perry, Jennifer

Grade 5

Brooks, Sylvia
Calomb, Taylor
Gerrish, David
Hennessy, Sage
McGrath, Autumn

Grade 6

Barley, Paige
Bellen, Rebecka
Brooks, Alexander
Conlon, Colleen
Cooper, Abraham
Hurst, Kimberley
Marquis, Alisha
Pitman, Riley

Grade 7

Fanning, Caitlin
Gerrish, Dana
Perry, Christopher

Grade 8

Cassily, Meaghan
Cloutier, Nolan
Cooper, Cheyainne
Eberly, Ellen
Farnham, Leia
Head, Ellen
Wadleigh, Timothy

Grade 9

Cherry, Amy Lynn
Conlon, Elish
Diegoli, James
Farnham, Kathrina
Hennessy, Coreen
Logan, Jonathan
Novia, Nicholas

Grade 10

Anderson, Britney
Buker, Brittney
Head, Lauren
Marquis, Jacob
Richards, Heidi
Straw, Katie
Wagner, Ryann

Grade 11

Cloutier, Trisha
Fanning, Jessica
Richards, Jacob

Grade 12

DeWitt, Richard
Farnham, Benjamin
Shuler, Scott
Straw, Jake
Wadleigh, Andrew

Office	Town Officers	year term ends
Selectmen:	William Briggs	2005
	Wayne McAllister	2006
	E.Herbert Eastman	2007
Treasurer:	Donald MacPherson	2005
Moderator:	Frank Eastman	2006
Town Clerk:	Patricia Pitman	2005
Tax Collector:	Patricia Pitman	2005
Road Agent:	Mel Cherry	2005
	appointed by Selectmen to complete G. Perry's Term	
Supervisors of the checklist:	Barbara Eastman	2006
	Jack Rice	2008
	Stephen Eastman	2010
Auditor:	Margaret Chute	2005
Constable:	Mark Pitman	2005
Civil Defense: (appointed by Selectmen)	Jim Layne	2005
Surveyors of Wood, Bark, & Lumber:	Perley Head	2005
	Mel Cherry	2005
Trustees of the Trust Fund:	Robert Crowley	2005
	Susan Perry	2006
	Robert Kyle	2007
Fence Viewers:	James Diegoli	2005
	Perley Head	2005
	William Pitman	2005
Budget Committee:	Melvin Cherry	2005
	Tom Stryker	2005
	Lincoln Garland	2006
	Gail Colomb	2006
	William Pitman	2007
	Eleanor Eastman	2007

Planning Board: (appointed by Selectmen)	Peter Straw	2005
	Susan Logan	2005
	Alan Lounsbury	2006
		2006
	Jayne Britton	2007
	Robert Farnham	2007
	Wayne McAllister-Select Member	

Fire Wardens: (appointed by Selectmen)	Jim Layne	Warden
	Wayne Mcallister	1st Deputy
	Perley Head	2nd Deputy
	Gary Banhart	3rd Deputy
	Jeff Stone	4th Deputy
	William Briggs	5th Deputy
	Wayne Mcallister Jr.	6th Deputy
	Michael McAllister	7th Deputy
	Jayne Britton	8th Deputy
	Edward Layne	9th Deputy
	Mark Pitman	10th Deputy

The Selectmen would like to thank the following people for all of the work that they did to help build the handicap ramp and parking area. The following people donated their time and/or equipment.

Merle Turner
Herbert Eastman
Frank Eastman
Bill Pitman
Matt Pitman
Mark Pitman
George Perry
Wayne McAllister

TOWN WARRANT THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Chatham, in the County of Carroll in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town House in said Chatham on Tuesday, the 8th day of March, next at 6:30 of the clock in the evening, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$ 98,750.00** which represents the operating budget. Said sum does not include special or individual articles addressed.
Recommended by Selectmen 3-0 Recommended by Budget comm. 6-0
3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$ 274.00** to Defray the operating expenses of the services and programs as carried out by the Mt. Washington Valley Chapter of the American Red Cross.
Recommended by Selectmen 3-0 Recommended by Budget comm. 5-1
4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$500.00** for The Early Supports & Services Program (birth to 3 years) of Children Unlimited, Inc.
Recommended by Selectmen 3-0 Recommended by Budget comm. 6-0
5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$ 845.00** for the White Mountain Community Health Center.
Recommended by Selectmen 3-0 Recommended by Budget comm. 6-0
6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$ 358.00** for Carroll County Mental Health Services.
Recommended by Selectmen 3-0 Recommended by Budget comm. 6-0
- 7A. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$ 3850.00** for the Saco Valley Fire Association @ North Fryeburg for the ensuing year.
Recommended by Selectmen 3-0 Recommended by Budget comm. 6-0
- 7B. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$2000.00** for the purchase of a newer truck.
Recommended by Selectmen 3-0 Recommended by Budget comm. 6-0
- 8A. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$ 2152.00** for its share of the Fryeburg Rescue Expenses.
Recommended by Selectmen 3-0 Recommended by Budget comm. 6-0
- 8B. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$ 625.00** as its share in the purchase of a New Ambulance.
Recommended by Selectmen 3-0 Recommended by Budget comm. 6-0
9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$ 750.00** for the Town of Lovell Recreation Dept.
Recommended by Selectmen 3-0 Recommended by Budget comm. 6-0
10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$ 1000.00** for the

Tri-County Community Action.

Recommended by Selectmen 3-0 Recommended by Budget comm. 6-0

11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 300.00 for the support of the Eastern Slope Airport Authority.
Recommended by Selectmen 2-1 Recommended by Budget comm. 6-0
12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 3000.00 to be added to the Town Hall Renovations Capital Reserve Fund previously established.
Recommended by Selectmen 3-0 Recommended by Budget comm. 6-0
13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 5,000.00 to be used to complete the handicap ramp project. This appropriation is to come from the Town Hall Renovations Capital Reserve Fund.
Recommended by Selectmen 3-0 Recommended by Budget comm. 5-1
14. Replace the optional veterans tax credit (RSA 72:28, II and IV) of \$ 500 with the standard tax credit of \$100 on residential property.
Recommended by Selectmen 1-1-1 Recommended by Budget comm..2-3-1
15. Replace the optional tax credit (RSA 72:29-a,II) of \$2,000 with the standard tax credit of \$700 on the real and personal property of the surviving spouse of any person who was killed or died while on active duty in the armed forces of the United States or any of the armed forces of any of the governments associated with the United States in the wars, conflicts or armed conflicts, or combat zones set forth in RSA 72:28.
Recommended by Selectmen 1-1-1 Recommended by Budget comm..3-2-1
16. Replace the optional veterans tax credit (RSA 72:35 I-a) of \$2,000 with the standard tax credit of \$1,400 for the service-connected total disability on residential property.
Recommended by Selectmen 1-1-1 Recommended by Budget comm..3-2-1
17. To see if the Town will vote to sell cemetery plots to residents of Chatham only. RSA 289:2 states that every municipality shall provide one or more suitable cemeteries for the interment of deceased persons within its boundaries, which shall be subject to such regulations as the municipality may establish.
Recommended by Selectmen 3-0
18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of \$5000.00 dollars to be used to pay legal and contractual fees that may occur while negotiating a land transaction between the Town of Chatham, the Nature Conservancy, and the White Mountain National Forest. The Town will trade a 34 acre lot, located off from Robbins Hill Road, for a 55.7 acre lot, located next to the Chatham Center Cemetery.
Recommended by Selectmen 3-0 Recommended by Budget comm.. 5-1

To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

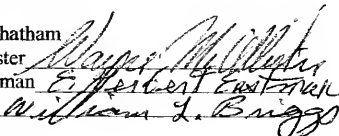
Given under our hands and seal, this 11th day of February in that year of our Lord Two Thousand and Five.

Selectmen of Chatham

Wayne McAllister

E. Herbert Eastman

William Briggs



IMPORTANT WARRANT ARTICLE INFORMATION

AMERICAN RED CROSS- Article 3- The American Red Cross responds in times of emergency and supports families as they seek to restore peacefulness to their lives in cases of fire, flood, and winter storm. The Red Cross also trains 700 of the Valleys residents yearly in CPR and First Aid and over 1,000 of the residents in Water Safety.

CHILDREN UNLIMITED, INC.- Article 4- Children Unlimited has helped four families from Chatham on a weekly basis. The amount spent on children in Chatham for the year 2004 was \$11,964.76. Services provided by this agency included: Developmental Evaluations, Speech/Language Therapy, Physical/Occupational Therapy, Family Support, and counseling, just to name a few.

WHITE MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER- Article 5- White Mountain Community Health Center provides medical care for underinsured and uninsured Chatham residents. This year they provided services for 31 members of our community.

CARROLL COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE- Article 6- Carroll County Mental Health Services provide coverage for Carroll County residents. The funds they receive from us help them cover the costs incurred by residents that can not afford to pay for services themselves.

SACO VALLEY FIRE ASSOCIATION- Article 7A & 7B- The Saco Valley Fire Association provides fire protection services for the Town of Chatham.

FRYEBURG RESCUE- Article 8A & 8B- Fryeburg Rescue has provided coverage for the towns of Fryeburg, Brownfield, Lovell, Stow, and Chatham for the past 34 years. Their request is based on the number of actual runs made to Chatham and a percentage of the overall operating costs.

LOVELL RECREATION DEPARTMENT- Article 9- The Lovell Recreation Department provides many opportunities for children living in Chatham to participate in sport activities.

TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION- Article 10 Tri-County Community Action provided services for 34 Chatham Residents. They provide fuel, food and emergency housing. They processed 6 fuel applications, 1 elderly application, and 4 disabled applications. They linked 28 residents to other programs. They spent \$9,180 on Chatham citizens

EASTERN SLOPE AIRPORT AUTHORITY-Article 11- Eastern Slope Airport is located in Fryeburg Maine. The funds asked for will be used for operation and maintenance costs.

Town Hall Renovations Capital Reserve Fund- Article 12- Currently there is \$18,755.93 in the account.

Handicap Ramp Completion Project- Article 13- A small committee was formed to look at different ways that the ramp project could be completed. Based on their suggestions, the Selectmen are recommending that an additional 5,000 dollars be taken from the Town Hall Renovations Fund to complete the project. The Fryeburg Rotary Club is willing to donate matching funds up to \$1000.00 to complete the project. Should you have any suggestions of how you would like to see the project completed, please contact Jayne Britton (694-3128).

Comparative Statement of Appropriations & Expenditures

Type of Appropriation	Appropriation	Receipts	Amt. Available	Expenditures	Unexpended Amt.
Town Salaries/Expenses	\$13,500.00		\$13,500.00	\$13,126.99	\$373.01
Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics	\$1,200.00	\$15.00	\$1,215.00	\$1,243.10	(\$28.10)
Revaluation	\$5,000.00		\$5,000.00	\$4,920.00	\$80.00
Legal Expenses	\$10,000.00		\$10,000.00	\$7,675.56	\$2,324.44
Planning & Zoning	\$500.00	\$605.00	\$1,105.00	\$567.89	\$537.11
Government Buildings	\$3,000.00		\$3,000.00	\$1,993.95	\$1,006.05
Cemeteries	\$800.00	\$150.00	\$800.00	\$750.00	\$50.00
Insurance	\$5,000.00		\$5,000.00	\$3,455.43	\$1,544.57
Police	\$300.00		\$300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00
Fire	\$5,850.00		\$5,850.00	\$5,850.00	\$0.00
Civil Defense	\$100.00		\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
Highway & Street	\$20,000.00		\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$0.00
Highway Block Grant	\$20,413.57		\$20,413.57	\$16,248.08	\$4,165.49
Solid Waste	\$18,000.00		\$18,000.00	\$11,129.70	\$6,870.30
Health Agencies	\$2,987.00		\$2,987.00	\$2,987.00	\$0.00
Fryeburg Rescue	\$2,153.20		\$2,153.20	\$2,153.20	\$0.00
General Assistance	\$2,000.00	\$374.32	\$2,374.32	\$464.52	\$1,909.80
Building Fund	\$3,000.00		\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$0.00
Licenses & Fees	\$450.00		\$450.00	\$481.89	(\$31.89)
Parks & Playgrounds	\$750.00	\$117.00	\$867.00	\$867.00	\$0.00
Municipal Association Dues	\$800.00		\$800.00	\$579.00	\$221.00
Patriotic Purposes	\$100.00		\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
Airport	\$300.00		\$300.00	\$300.00	\$0.00
Land Purchase			\$39,000.00	\$39,154.05	(\$154.05)
Handicap Ramp	\$10,000.00		\$6,394.04	\$6,394.04	\$0.00
Total	\$126,203.77	\$1,261.32	\$162,709.13	\$143,341.40	\$19,367.73

Budget of the Town of Chatham 2004-2005

	Appropriations 2004	Expenses 2004	Recommended by Selectmen 2005	Recommended by Budget Committee 2005
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
Executive	\$13,500.00	\$13,126.99	\$13,500.00	\$13,500.00
Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics	\$1,200.00	\$1,243.10	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
Revaluation of Property	\$5,000.00	\$4,920.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00
Legal Expenses	\$10,000.00	\$7,675.56	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
Planning & Zoning	\$500.00	\$567.89	\$500.00	\$500.00
General Government Building	\$3,000.00	\$1,993.95	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
Cemeteries	\$800.00	\$750.00	\$800.00	\$800.00
Insurance	\$5,000.00	\$3,455.43	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Municipal Dues	\$800.00	\$579.00	\$800.00	\$800.00
PUBLIC SAFETY				
Police	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
Rescue	\$2,153.20	\$2,153.20	WA	WA
Fire	\$5,850.00	\$5,850.00	WA	WA
Licenses & Fees	\$450.00	\$481.89	\$450.00	\$450.00
Emergency Management	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
Boundaries				
HIGHWAY & STREET				
Highway & Streets	\$40,413.57	\$36,248.08	\$40,500.00	\$40,500.00
SANITATION				
Solid Waste Disposal	\$18,000.00	\$11,129.70	\$14,500.00	\$14,500.00
HEALTH & WELFARE				
Health Agencies	\$2,987.00	\$2,987.00	WA	WA
General Assistance	\$2,000.00	\$464.52	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
CULTURE & RECREATION				
Parks & Playgrounds	\$750.00	\$867.00	WA	WA
Patriotic Purposes	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT				
Airport	\$300.00	\$300.00	WA	WA
CAPITAL PROJECTS				
Building Fund	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	WA	WA
Land Purchase	**	\$39,154.05	WA	WA
Handicap Ramp	\$10,000.00	\$6,394.04	WA	WA
	\$126,203.77	\$143,341.40	\$98,750.00	\$98,750.00

** Amount held over from previous year = \$9,000.00

SOURCES OF REVENUE 2004-2005

	Est. Revenue 2004	Act. Revenue 2004	Est. Revenue 2005
TAXES			
Yield Tax	\$3,000.00	\$5,802.46	\$10,000.00
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	\$18,000.00	\$24,595.00	\$18,000.00
Interest & Pen. On Del. Taxes	\$2,000.00	\$3,536.08	\$2,000.00
Land Use Change Tax	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00
Inventory Penalties	\$150.00	\$510.00	\$150.00
LICENCES, PERMITS, & FEES			
Motor Vehicle Permits	\$35,000.00	\$50,981.00	\$40,000.00
Planning Board	\$300.00	\$605.00	\$100.00
Other Lic. & Permit Fees (dog, ucc, gun, vital statistics)	\$300.00	\$426.00	\$300.00
FROM STATE			
Shared Revenue	\$1,200.00	\$1,256.00	\$1,200.00
Meals & Rooms Tax	\$7,000.00	\$8,822.93	\$7,000.00
Highway Block Grant	\$14,159.42	\$14,159.42	\$15,379.43
Misc. State Revenue			
Other (remaining block grant)			\$4,165.49
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES			
Interest on Deposits	\$100.00	\$172.29	\$100.00
Trust & Agency Funds	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
Return of Town Aid	\$0.00	\$374.32	\$0.00
From Capital Reserves Fund	\$10,000.00	\$22,541.03	\$5,000.00
Insurance Refunds	\$0.00	\$1,043.72	
Payments for Rake	\$0.00	\$500.00	
Total	\$91,859.42	\$135,475.25	\$106,544.92

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
Municipal Finance Bureau
2004 Tax Rate Calculation

TOWN/CITY: CHATHAM

Gross Appropriations	126,204
Less: Revenues	119,956
Less: Shared Revenues	171
Add: Overlay	9,819
War Service Credits	18,500

Barbara J. Robinson
10/25/04

Net Town Appropriation	34,396
Special Adjustment	0

Approved Town/City Tax Effort	34,396
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TOWN RATE
0.76

SCHOOL PORTION

Net Local School Budget (Gross Approp. - Revenue)	544,896
Regional School Apportionment	0
Less: Adequate Education Grant	(80,692)
State Education Taxes	(103,385)

Approved School(s) Tax Effort	360,819
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LOCAL
SCHOOL RATE
8.03

STATE EDUCATION TAXES

Equalized Valuation(no utilities) x	\$3.33	
31,046,464		103,385
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)		
44,626,307		
Excess State Education Taxes to be Remitted to State		
Pay to State →	0	

STATE
SCHOOL RATE
2.32

COUNTY PORTION

Due to County	32,237
Less: Shared Revenues	(204)

Approved County Tax Effort	32,033
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COUNTY RATE
0.71

TOTAL RATE
11.82

Total Property Taxes Assessed	530,633
Less: War Service Credits	(18,500)
Add: Village District Commitment(s)	0
Total Property Tax Commitment	512,133

PROOF OF RATE

Net Assessed Valuation	Tax Rate	Assessment
State Education Tax (no utilities)	2.32	103,385
All Other Taxes	9.50	427,248
		530,633

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Report of the Treasurer

Balance in Checking 1/1/04		\$264,002.45
From Town Clerk		
MV Regs	\$50,981.00	
MV Titles	200.00	
Highway Block Grant	14,159.42	
Dog Lic.	291.50	
Revenue Sharing	1,256.00	
Filing Fees	15.00	
Insurance Refunds	1,043.72	
Planning Board	605.00	
Pistol Permits	30.00	
Mulford Fund	150.00	
Parks	117.00	
Town Renovation Fund	6,394.04	
Future Land Purchase Fund	16,146.99	
Payment for Rake	500.00	
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	24,595.00	
Rooms and Meals Tax	8,822.93	
Welfare Reimbursement	374.32	
Misc. Payments	90.00	125,771.92
From Tax Collector		
04 Prop. Tax	\$445,768.85	
03 Prop. Tax	103,587.67	
03 Prop. Tax Int.	2,867.99	
03 Redemptions	2,820.56	
03 Redemptions Int.	101.09	
02 Redemptions	538.35	
02 Redemptions Int.	516.31	
01 Redemptions	2,096.84	
01 Redemptions Int.	656.41	
92 02 Prop. Tax	200.00	
04 Yield Tax	4,338.90	
04 Yield Tax Int.	6.27	
2004 03 Yield Tax	1,463.56	
04 Inventory Penalty	452.00	
03 Inventory Penalty	21.00	
02 Inventory Penalty	37.00	
Tax Overpayments	305.63	565,778.43
Laconia Savings Bank		172.29
Total Cash		955,725.09
Less Payments		
Selectmens Orders Paid	\$647,336.00	
Cost of New Checks	65.85	647,401.85
Balance in Checking 12/31/04		<u>\$308,323.24</u>

Historical Society Paint Fund

Balance 1/1/04	\$3,598.19
Interest	12.65
Balance 12/31/04	<u>\$3,610.84</u>

Escrow Account

Balance 1/1/04	\$578.76
Interest	2.07
Balance 12/31/04	<u>\$580.83</u>

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Money Collected by Town Clerk

Registrations	\$50,981.00
Titles	\$200.00
Dog Licenses	\$291.50
UCC's	\$15.00
Fee's	\$90.00
Parks	\$117.00
Total	\$51,694.50

Money Collected by Selectmen

Highway Block Grant	\$14,159.42
Mulford Trust Fund	\$150.00
Revenue Sharing	\$1,256.00
Rooms & Meals Tax	\$8,822.93
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	\$24,595.00
Gun Permits	\$30.00
Planning Board Fees	\$605.00
Land Use Change Tax	\$0.00
Welfare Reimbursement	\$374.32
Insurance Refunds	\$1,043.72
Payment for Rake	\$500.00
Town Renovations Fund	\$6,394.04
Future Land Purchase Fund	\$16,146.99

Total	\$74,077.42
Interest For Checking	\$172.29

Vital Statistics for 2004

There were no births or marriages reported for 2004.

Deaths: Brenda Benson passed away on May 19, 2004.

Tax Collector's Report

Summary of Warrant 2004

Taxes Committed to Tax Collector:

Property Taxes	\$513,298.08
Yield Taxes	\$5,802.46
Inventory Penalty	\$707.00
Interest	\$6.27
Total Debits	\$519,813.81

Remittance to Treasurer

Property Taxes	\$445,768.85
Yield Taxes	\$5,802.46
Inventory Penalty	\$452.00
Interest	\$6.27

Uncollected Taxes

Property Taxes	\$67,529.18
Inventory Penalty	\$255.00
Total Credits	\$519,813.76

Summary of Warrants (as of December 31, 2004)

1993 Property Tax	\$641.00
2002 Liened Property Tax	\$3,842.34
2003 Liened Property Tax	\$4,575.17
2003 Inventory Penalty	\$10.00

Report of the Trust Fund For Year Ending 2004

Date of Creation	Name of Trust fund	Purpose	How Invested	Principal Balance Beg. Year	New Funds Withdrawals Balance End of Year	Income Balance Beg. Year	Income 0% Amount	Expended during Year	Balance End of Year	Grand Total
10/22/40	Mason Clay	Cem. Car	Bank-CD # 1	108.00		108.00				
6/22/38	Olive Eastman	Cem. Car	Bank-CD # 1	217.00		217.00				
11/25/60	A. McIntyre	Cem. Car	Bank-CD # 1	217.00		217.00				
6/14/57	North Chatham	Cem. Car	Bank-CD # 1	349.00		349.00				
8/22/69	Lillian Charles	Cem. Car	Bank-CD # 1	108.00		108.00				
11/25/57	H. Andrews	Cem. Car	Bank-CD # 1	108.00		108.00				
3/30/56	Alice Charles	Cem. Car	Bank-CD # 1	190.00		190.00				
1/12/54	Chester Eastman	Cem. Car	Bank-CD # 1	108.00		108.00				
3/2/81	Dana Charles	Cem. Car	Bank-CD # 1	54.00		54.00				
4/12/88	F&H Lusky	Cem. Car	Bank-CD # 1	210.00		210.00				
4/17/56	Lottie Heath	Cem. Car	Bank-CD # 1	108.00		108.00				
9/10/90	H.E. Perry	Cem. Car	Bank-CD # 1	225.00		225.00				
5/26/86	Francis Thompson	Cem. Car	Bank-CD # 1	135.00		135.00				
The above trust funds were placed into a CD. The total interest gained is...										
1/31/86	Hanscom	Cem. Car	Bank-CD 2	1,100.00		1,100.00	1.09	150.00	1,848.03	1,846.03
8/14/40	Fred Eaton	Cem. Car	Bank-CD 3	2,009.00		2,009.00			1,447.23	1,447.23
5/1/98	Capital Reserve	Renovations	Bank- Savings	22,149.97	3,000.00	18,755.93	0.50	120.77	2,643.57	2,643.57
3/1/90	Capital Reserve	Special Ed	Bank- Savings	72,187.42	5,000.00	50,794.42	0.60	447.09	120.77	18,876.70
3/1/80	Capital Reserve	Bus	Bank- Savings	38,588.59		38,588.59	0.60	232.79	447.09	51,241.51
12/26/70	Eagle Grange	Fire Dept	Bank- Savings	2,167.42		2,167.42	0.35	7.61	232.79	38,821.38
1/22/03	Future Purchases	Purchase land	Bank- Savings	16,113.41	16,146.99	0.00		33.58	7.61	2,167.42
Retrieved from Town to Cemetery checking account										
				500.00						
Retrieved from Shirley Garland to Cemetery checking account				1,000.00						
Retrieved from George Kitz to Cemetery checking account				150.00						
Sales of Cemetery Plots				300.00						
								1548.96		117043.84
										account closed

2004 Road Agent Report

Revenue	NH Block Grant	\$14,159.42	
	Town Budget	\$20,000.00	
	Unexpended Funds 2003	\$6,254.15	
	Total Funds Available		\$40,413.57

Expenses

January	G.Perry	Plowing	\$740.00
	G.Perry	Sanding	\$180.00
	G.Perry	Labor	\$230.00
February	G.Perry	Plowing	\$1,360.00
	G.Perry	Sanding	\$620.00
	G.Perry	Labor	\$495.00
March/April	B. Robbins	Road Work	\$980.00
	Fox and Sons	Plowing	\$1,310.00
	J. Layne	Gravel	\$216.00
	G.Perry	Raking	\$1,020.00
	G.Perry	Labor	\$315.00
May-August	G.Perry	Labor	\$140.00
	G.Perry	Parts	\$125.00
	Paris Farmers	Culverts	\$1,398.90
	B. Robbins	Road Work	\$7,589.65
	J. Layne	Raking	\$1,120.00
	Kennett Co.	Gravel	\$4,050.00
	Hot Rock Paving	Bridge Repair	\$1,300.00
October	M. Cherry	Road Work	\$2,500.00
November	M.Cherry	Road Work	\$500.00
December	M.Cherry	Road Work	\$5,185.36
	Paris Farmers	Culverts	\$597.12
	J. Layne	Road Work	\$1,120.00
	P. Head	Road Work	\$1,033.00
	B. Robbins	Trucking	\$1,320.00
	Kennett Co.	Gravel	\$648.00
	Colemens	Gravel	\$155.05

Total \$36,248.08

Unexpended Block Grant Funds \$4,165.49

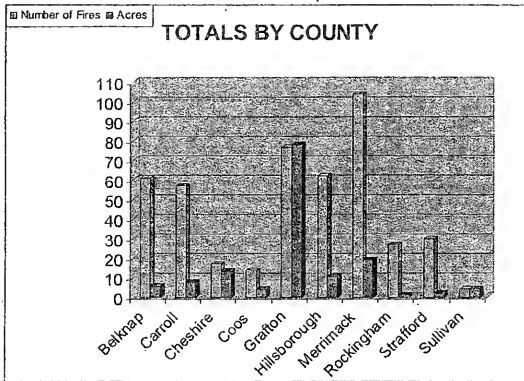
Report of Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands cooperate to reduce the risk of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to find out if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. A fire permit is required for all outside burning unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 1-800-498-6868 or www.des.state.nh.us for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information contact the Division of Forests & Lands (603) 271-2217, or online at www.nhdfi.org.

This last year was fairly wet throughout the spring and summer months, however we finished the season with an active fall fire season. In order to meet an increased demand for services, the Forest Protection Bureau was reorganized into three regions with smaller Forest Ranger Districts and over the last several years we have added two Forest Rangers. The fifteen state fire towers were the first to report on many fires throughout the state and they completed many other projects on the low fire danger days. The state implemented a program called Tower Quest to help citizens learn about fire towers and the need to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. The United States celebrated Smokey Bear's 60th birthday in 2004, and celebrations were held throughout the state. Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire smart and fire safe!

2004 FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires reported as of November 18, 2004)



CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

Arson	15	2004	462	147
Campfire	41	2003	374	100
Children	12	2002	540	187
Smoking	19	2001	942	428
Debris	201			
Railroad	1			
Equipment	5			
Lightning	5			
Misc.*	163	(*Misc.: power lines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.)		

Total Fires Total Acres

ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRE

Dear Residents,

All dogs must be licensed on or before April 30th. If you wish you may fill out the form below and mail it to me. My address is

1681 Main Road, Chatham, NH 03813

Please include payment, copy of your dog's rabies vaccination and a self addressed stamped envelope. I will mail you the license and tag.

If you have any questions, please call 694-2043.

Sincerely,

Patricia Pitman

Town Clerk

Owner _____

Address _____

Breed _____

Name _____

Color _____

Rabies, Innoc. Exp. _____

\$9.00 _____ Male

\$9.00 _____ Female

\$6.50 _____ Neutered Male

\$6.50 _____ Spayed Female

\$2.00 _____ Owner over 65

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